

June 4, 2020

Dear 4-H'ers Enrolled in Small Animal Projects,

Exciting times! We will have a new Small Animal barn by this year's Ellis County Fair. Thanks to the Fairboard and all the 4-H supporters for helping to make this a reality! We will plan for a celebration during the week of Fair. Watch for details.

This year has been a different year, we have been planning for several possible County Fair possibilities. The hope is that the COVID-19 cases remain low in Ellis County and we are allowed to have a face to face fair this year. Please be aware that if things change in the next few weeks, we may have to move to a different approach to judging 4-H exhibits at the County Fair. We will keep everyone up to date via our website, on Facebook and through emails.

We are using the on-line entry system again this year. We are asking you to complete the usual paperwork that's included here **by June 22 AND** the on-line entry process **by July 7**. The entry system will create your entry cards. You will pick them up at check in.

You will enter every animal, showmanship, indoor exhibit and contest participation into this system. Go to <https://www.fairentry.com/Fair/SignIn/14173> to get started. You will log in using your 4-H Online user name and password. There is a help guide posted on the Ellis Co. 4-H Fair page. Call if you have questions.

**Stall Deposits** - Two separate checks are required. Checks will be **made payable to 4-H Ag/Livestock**. **The stall deposit check should be separate from the check for pictures/insurance**. Stall deposit checks are returned if you clean your pens. Remember, in the Small Animal barn, cleanup is a team project. Everyone should plan to be there by 8 a.m. on Saturday morning to help clean up the barn.

**Photo & Frames** – **ALL photos will be taken on Tuesday morning at the Small Animal Barn. Check the schedule.** Cost will be \$9.00 per animal / pen. You will provide a framed photo to your sale buyer. You will receive a framed photo, too. **Please make every effort to honor the times posted for taking these photos.**

**Health Requirements** – Be sure to read the fairbook carefully to meet fair entry requirements. There was a nationwide shortage of the antigen needed for pollorum testing for poultry, so the KS Dept. of Ag has waived this testing requirement for 2020 Fairs.

**Cats & kittens will need a proof of vaccination before entering the fair.**

**Fairgrounds Clean Up Nite is Wednesday, July 8 – Please sign up for the fairgrounds clean up nite by June 26.** Commerce Bank is sponsoring pizza for all who help and we need to give them a meal count. **Be sure to thank them for this continued support of 4-H!**

**Parking during clean up night** – The fairboard asks that folks not park to the West and North of the small animal barn on clean up night, so that the area can be mowed. Thanks for your help in making that happen.

**Website** – This letter and all of the forms are also available for you to print out from the Ellis Co. Extension website. Check it out at [www.cottonwood.ksu.edu](http://www.cottonwood.ksu.edu) the forms are listed under the Ellis County Fair 4-H link.

If you have questions, contact your small animal project leader or the Extension Office. More blank sheets are available, drop by the Extension Office or print them from the web, if you need more.

See you @ the Ellis Co. Fair!

Yours in 4-H,



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